

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

OSE, Doug (Republican)  
Representative, 3rd District, California  
Elected 1998 to 106th Congress



### BACKGROUND

Born: Sacramento, California - 27 June 1955  
Home: Sacramento, California  
Marital status: Married (Lynnda)- 2 children  
Religion: Lutheran  
Education: Univ of Calif, Berkeley, BS, 1977  
Military: None  
Profession: Real Estate Developer

Political: No previous office. Defeated Sandie Dunn (D) in the 1998 general election with 53% of the vote to succeed Rep Vic Fazio (D) who retired. Reelected in 2000 with 56% of the vote and in 2002 with 63%.

Rep Ose, considered a moderate, believes his business experience will bring a much-needed reality check to Washington. During campaign said "We need to send to Congress people who have real-world experience. Lists tax cuts, in particular the elimination of the marriage penalty, as top priority and supports overhauling the tax code.

In the 106<sup>th</sup> Congress, expressed support for a resolution to deny Communist China normal trade relations status. Explained an amdt to the DoD Authorization that would allow the transfer of an unwanted reactor at McClellan AFB to the Univ of California (Davis). Observed that no citizen should underestimate the value of the military in protecting our country and said for that reason, he supports the efforts of congress to meet the needs of the military. Took exception to the questionable emergency designation of funding in the supplemental appropriations bills and suggested Congress establish a fund to help pay for emergencies when they arise; that way, Congress can avoid including unrelated items in emergency appropriations measures and maintain sound fiscal policies at the Federal level. Called the situation in Yugoslavia a "fiasco." Said the President has no plan, no means of measuring success, does not know what it is going to cost or when we are coming home. Wondered what the consequences would be to our national interest as a result of this stripping of our ability to conduct our military efforts elsewhere in the world. Reiterated that the Kosovo mission is draining valuable military resources and limiting our ability to deal with rogue states in other parts of the world. Also believed Kosovo detracts from our ability to be a superpower. One Wall Street Journal reporter observed that Rep Ose neatly captured the contradictions in the Republican defense stance by complaining about Social Security money being used in Kosovo to destroy day-care centers, etc, a week after he voted with colleagues to fund the operation.

In the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress, said he will keep his pledge and not run for reelection after this term.

Additional: Signed term limit pledge, promising to be out of office by 2004.

AF Bases: McClellan AFB (Scheduled to close on 30Jul2001)

### COMMITTEES

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